







Claim 12 (original): An image capturing apparatus according to claim 11, wherein:  
said output signal includes said characteristic data and said image output signal; and  
said determining means time separating said characteristic data from said image output  
signal, whereby a single output signal is enabled to contain both said characteristic data and said  
image output signal without interference therebetween.

Claim 13 (original): An image capturing device according to claim 12, wherein said  
characteristic data is contained in a field outside of a field that generates said image output signal.